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Drafts granted on London, and the chlef Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON. Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 25, 1888.

DULES OF THE HONGKONG

O SAVINGS BANK 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and

Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3 : Saturdays, 10 2:-Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No

depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year. ... Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor- Charged. poration on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent, per annum interest. 4. -Interest at the rate of 35 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on

their daily balances. 6. -Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and begin-ning of July.

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but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary. For the

HONGRONG & SHANGHAI BANKIN COBPORATION, T. JACKSON.

Ohief Monager. Mongkong, September 1, 188

Intimations.

ANDREW JOHNSTON. BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD.

DLANS and ESTIMATES prepared for LIGHT DRAUGHT STEAMERS, STEAM LAUNCHES, MARINE ENGINES and BOILERS, and all other kinds of MACHINERY. A List of Steamers FOR SALE always on hard

The Aquesas as above. Hongkong, January 4, 1888.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE First Ordinary Annual MEETING the SHAREHOLDERS will be in the OFFICES of the Company. Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 8th day of blarch next, at Noon, to receive the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1887. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be OLOSED from the 23rd Instant to 8th Proximo, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board

19AAO HUGHES,

Intimations.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY). 29th February, 8.30 a.m.

ADMISSION, after Examination, to fil about 130 Vacancies chiefly at bottom of PARENTS OR GUARDIANS MUST necons-

pany applicants. FRES :- Class T , 82 per month. II. III., \$15 Remainder, 31 "

GEO. H. BATESON WRIGHT, M.A. Head Master. Hongkong, February 28, 1888.

LEE TUK CHEONG, Deceased.

AT OTICE is hereby given that all Persons having CLAIMS or DEMANDS against or upon the Estate of LEE. TUE CHEONG, late of Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant, who died on the 5th May, 1887, are required to send to me at My Office, at No. 61. Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid, full particulars of such Claims or Demands on or before the 30th April next, in order that the same may be examined by LEE Sow Kew, the Administrator of his Estate; and if found correct duly discharged. And all Persons INDEBTED to the said Deceased are requested to pay the amount of their respective Debts to me. Dated this 27th February, 1888.

HO WYSON. Bolicitor to the Administrator HONGRONG AND WHAMPOA DOC

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 4 % or \$5 per SHARE, for the Six Months ended 31st December, 1887, declared at To-day's Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be Payable at the Premises of the Hongkong and Shang-HAT BANKING CORPORATION on and after TUESDAY, the 28th Instant, and SHARE-HOLDERS are requested to apply for WAR-HANTS at the Company's OFFICE, No. 14,

Praya Central, Hongkong. By Order of the Board of Directors. D. GILLIES.

Hongkong, February 27, 1888.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co., Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,

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VOIGILANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES. RITCHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES. ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS,

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TOTICE is hereby given that all VESSELS DISCHARGING BOMBAY COT TON and COTTON YARN at the Kow. LOON WHARVES will have FREE STORAGE for 14 days from arrival, after which a Rent their option transfer the same to the of 3 CENTS per bale per month will be

Hongkong, November 7, 1887.

ISAAO HUGHES,

J. D. KILEY. SAIL-MAKER.

TIENTS, AWNINGS AND FLAGS. No. 23, Praya Central, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, November 1, 1887.

NOTICE. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED,

HIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are

respectfully informed that, if upon | MALL SILK HATS. their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at BLACK, BROWN, DRAB and hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sont to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention. In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is requested, whon immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dis-

satisfaction. D. GILLIES.

Hongkong, August 25, 1885. DENTISTRY

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP. MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG, Surgeon Dentist.

(FORMERLY ARTICLED APPRENTICE AND LAT-TERLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROGER,) T the argent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly ocsupied by Dr. Rockes No. 2. DUDDELL STREET.

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Business Notices.



HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF AND RACE SCARVES. SADDLERY

> RACING SUNDRIES, of all kinds. LANE. CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 14, 1888.

THE 'ACME' OF ALL PURE COCOAS, MARES THE MOST DELICIOUS HOT OR COLD AND ICED COC A AND CHOCOLATE.

DE JONG'S PURE SOLUBLE COCOA,

T.R. HEHNER, the well-known Public Analyst, reports :- A SAMPLE of Dr. Jone's Pure Solunde Cocoa having been submitted to me, I have much pleasure in stating that I found it to be of ABSOLUTE PURITY and of the HIGHEST EXCELLENCE. It surpasses in delicacy of AROMA and RICHNESS of tasto the best kinds of similar

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ints for Hongkong. Hongkong, February 22, 1888.

STAGHOTEL J. COOK, Proprietor.

THE HOTEL IS CENTRALLY SITUATED AND WITHIN A FEW MINUTES WALK FROM THE PRINCIPAL LANDING PLACES. GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS. OHARGES MODERATE. TIFFIN at 1 o'Clock. DINNER at 7.30.

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Proprietors. Hongkong, September 16, 1885.

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(TELEPHONE 21). VICTORIA EXCHANGE, February 18, 1888.

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L DRAB FELT HATS. GREY HARD FELT HATS. TERMI and other SOFT FELTS. TWEED HATS and CAPS in Fancy and Check TWEED new shapes. STRAW and PITH HATS. SILK UMBRELLAS, from 85. over 100 to choose from. large assortment. WATERPROOF COATS, LEG-

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Fine Black DIAGONAL and Solid LHATHER PORTMAN-Black, Blue & Brown Fancy OVERLAND TRUNKS, GLAD-STONE BAGS, and a variety; of TRAVELLING CASES, all SILK 1-Hose, Black, Navy

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Winter, Medium and Sum- Patent Leather Boors and DANGING PUMPS, all sizes. READY-MADE ULSTERS IN Large Stock of Scarrs, Tres, HANDKERCHIEFS, BRACES.

Hongkong, February 21, 1888

THE LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

ITHE Sixth Ordinary Appual MEETING Company will be held at the Orrice of Company will be held at the Orrice of Consignees risk and expense. the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report the purpose of receiving a Report of the from the General Agents; with a Statement of Account to the 31st December, 1887 The Transfer BOOKS of the Company The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be GLOSED from the 25th February until the 10th March, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, February 18, 1888.

General Agents.

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Loon Piers and Godown Co. and stored at SATURDAY, the 10th March, at Noon, for General Agents, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1887. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company antil 10th March, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Od.

Hongkung, February 18, 1888.

General Agents.

will be subject to rent. are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th Inst., at 4 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Notices to Consignees.

DERSONS having CLAIMS against the Undersigned are requested to send SINGAPORE.

H. G. THOMSETT. Honykong, February 27, 1888. Hongkong & Bhanghai Banking CORPORATION.

HE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-Year onding 31st December, 1887, at the Rute of (£1.10/) ONE POUND AND TEN SHILLINGS STEELING POR SHARE OF \$125, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY NEXT, the 27th Instant, at the OFFICES of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for WARRANTS. By Order of the Court of Directors,

Intimations.

NOTIOE.

them in before the 10th Proximo.

T. JACKSON. Chief Manager. Hongkong, February 25, 1888.

Auctions.

THOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION

SATURDAY the 3rd March, at 10 a.m., at 16, Rua de San Lourenco, MACAO,-OFFICE AND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

(the Effects of the late Mr. MORRIMEN MURRAY), including, amongst numerous other Articles : DINING-BOOM and DRAWING-BOOM FUR-NITURE, SIDEBOARDS, GLASS, CHINA, a con-

siderable quantity of SILVER and PLATER WARE, PIOTURES, MIRRORS, BED and TABLE Linen, &c., &c. BEDRUOM REQUISITES, including: 5 Bed-STEADS (WOODEN and IRON), WARDROBES,

A PONY, with TRAP, HARNESS, &c., in The Lesso of the House is to be disposed of privately, for Particulars, apply to E. T. BOND.

H. B. M. Vice-Consul, ad interim. Hongkong, Fobruary 25, 1888.

For Sale.

FOR SALE. TULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE. Quarts......\$20 per Case of 1 doz. Pints.....\$21 Dubos Frères & de Gernon & Co.'s

WHITE WINES. Baxter's Celebrated Barley Bree WHISKY, 872 per Cose of 1 dos GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, July 18, 1884.

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A NEW STORY has just been added to the Servants' Quarters of both houses. Apply to

JOHN WILLMOTT, Hongkong Dispensary. Hongkong, January 27, 1888.

TO BE LET. (With Immediate Possession.) IWO DESTRABLE RESIDENCES situated

in Caine Road, West and Terrace opposite to Rose Villas. Apply to No. 14. CAINE ROAD. Hongkong, October 31, 1887.

TO LET. TOOMS in COLLEGE CHAMBERS.

GODOWN in Ice House Lane, lately occupied by Messra, BUTTERVIRLD & SWIRE from the lat May.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hougkong, February 3, 1888.

Notices to Consignees. FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

HE S.S. Hesperia, Capt. CHRISTIANSEN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediata delivery of their Goods from Optional Cargo will be forwarded un-

less notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-MORROW, the 28rd Instant, Any Cargo impeding her discharge will ITHE Tenth Ordinary Annual MEETING | be landed into the Godowns of the Kow. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th Inst. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods

SEEMSSEN & Co.,

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS. FROM LONDON, PENANG AND

THE Steamship Glengarry, having arrived from the above Ports, Consigneer of Cargo by her and by the S.S. Helvetic and Holland, from New Your, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONOKONO AND KOWLOON WHARF AND Godown Co., LD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded un

less notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-Day, the 25th Instant. Corgo remaining undelivered after th 3rd March will be subject to ront. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, February 25, 1888.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. THE Company's Steamship Taisang, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to

the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods Cargo impeding the discharge, or remaining on Board after the 25th Instant, will be at once landed and stored at Con-

signees' risk and expense. JARDINE: MATHESON & Co. General Managers, Hongkong, February 22, 1888.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND

CLAYMORE, FROM GLASGOW

SINGAPORE. ONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby in I formed that all Goods, with the excep-315 tion of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon WHARF & GODOWN Co. at Kowloon, whence

> Second Class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before the supply of Fresh Provisions during the Noon To-DAY, the 24th Instant. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns; and all Goods remaining after the lat Proxime will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or before the lat Proximo, or they will not be re-All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Thursday, the let Proximo, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hongkong, February 24, 1888.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES: S.S. BRECONSHIRE, FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON,

PENANG AND SINGAPORE! ONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with the excep-TO. 5. RICHMOND TERRACE, a FOUR tion of Opium, are being landed at their risk ROOMED HOUSE, with Three into the Godowns of the Kowloon WHARP & Godown Co. at Kowloon, whence and/or No. 6. RICHMOND THREACH, a SIX from the Wharvesdelivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p. m.

> No Claims will be admitted after th Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 2nd Proximo will be subject to rent at the rate of one cent per package per day.

TO-DAY.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 2nd Proximo, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, February 25, 1888.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE. MR. M. GROTE has This Day been Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

CHATER & VERNON. Hongkong, January 1, 1888.

> Shipping. Steamers.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, PIA NAGA SAKI AND KOBE. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship Teheran will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, 3rd March, a Daylight.

Superintendent. P & O. S. N. 06 's Office. Hongkony February 18, 1888. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

E. L. WOODIN,

The Co. s Steamahip Captain Brozagowill be SUNDAY, the 4th March. For Freight or Passage, apply to

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hongkong, February 24, 1886.

Shipping.

Steamers.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK The Company's Steamer Phra Chula Chom Klao,
Captain A. Brason, will
be despatched for the
above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 29th

Instant at Daylight For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG

Hongkong, February 27, 1888

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE. ITALIANA (FLORIO & RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES.) STEAM FOR APORE, PENANG & BOMBAY,

Connection with Company's Mall Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORTSAID. MESSINA, NAPLES, (LEGHORN), and GENOA; all MEDITERRANEAN. ADRIATIO, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERI-CAN PORTS, up to CALLAO. Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD.

The Co. 8 Steamsnip

Bormida

Captain Dagnino, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Inst., at 10 a m. At Boxbay the Steamers are discharging in Pance's Docks. For further Particulars regarding Freight

and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co.,

LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY AND MELEOURNE. The Co.'s Steamship

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

Hongkong, February 27, 1888.

J. D. C. Astrus, Com-mander, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Instant, at 4 p.m. The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer First-class Saloon and Cabins and/or from the Wharves delivery may be are situated forward of the Engines.

> entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is For Freight or Passage, apply to

> > BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

The 3/3 L.1.1. American Ship

RUSSELL & Co.

Hougkong, February 27, 1888. Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

Great Admiral,

J. F. Rowell, Master, will load
here for the above Port, and 805 | wili have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, February 21, 1888.

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF

His Majesty King George The First

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant lusurances as follows :---

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872. NOTICE.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED 31,000,000. I HE above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Corrent

> WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary. HEAD OFFICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY. THE Undersigned, Augus for the above

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

NORTON & Co. Agents.

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Hongkong, December 2, 1887. 2349 Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

Hongkong, July 15, 1887, NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE

GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1882

THE COMMERCIAL LAW AFFECT.

Intimations.

The Overland China Mail,

WEEKLY JOUENAL FOR THE HOME MAIL. TS PUBLISHED to suit the Departure of each English and French Mail Steamer for Europe. Formerly the Overland issue was published fortnightly; but as it was deemed of special importance that a weekly budget of news should be prepared, it was decided to issue it weekly. Subscribers at Home, and those at the Coast Ports and in the interior, who find the Overland edition a convenient form of newspaper for their perusal, will welcome the change. The Overland China Mail, now a weekly compendium of news from the Far East, contains special Commercial intelligence, special tables of Shipping, and other information. The various Reports of Courts and Meetings, and all other news, are given in full as they appear in the Daily issue.

The attention of Advertisers is directed to a weekly newspaper, which is circulated among old China hands' and others, both at home and in the Far East, who do not take the daily journals. -The Overland China Mail will be regularly

posted from the China Mail Office to subscribers, on their addresses being forwarded Subscription:

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WINTER TIME TABLE. THE KOWLOON FERRY. STEAM-LAUNCH

MORNING STAR Runs Danly as a FERRY BOAT between Peddar's Wharf and Tsim-Tsa-Tsui at the following hours :- This Time Table will take effect from the 17TH OCTOBER, 1887.

SUNDAYS. Leaves K'loon, Leaves H.K. Leaves K'loon, Leaves H.K. 6.00 A.M. 7.00 A.M. 6.00 A.M. 7.00 A.M. 7.30 ,, 9.00 . ,, 10.15 ,, 10.30 ,, 12.30 P.M. 11.00 ,, NOON. 12.30 P.M. 1.00 P.M. 2.30 3.30 5.104.50 6.256.00 6.30

* There will be no Launch on Monday and Friday, on account of coaling. The above Time Table will be strictly adhered to, except under unavoidable circumstances. In case of stress of weather. due notice will be given of any stoppages.

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FOR SWATOW. The Steamship

Oaptain J. BLACKBURNE, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 29th Instant, at . For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP HING HONG.

Agents, of s.s. Nanshan. Hongkong, February 28, 1888. 330 DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

LIMITED. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Co.'s Steamship Namoa,

Capt. Goddard, will be Swa despatched for the above Syd Ports on THURSDAY, the 1st March, at Tier Daylight, instead of as previously advertiged. Van For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, February 28, 1888.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW. (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.)

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Hongkong, February 28, 1888.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-

CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship Captain Lapage, will be

despatched as above or MONDAY, the 5th Proximo. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, February 28, 1888. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Co.'s Steamship Natal. Commandant Such will be despatched for the above Ports, shortly after her arriva from Europe. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

FOR MANULA (DIRECT.) The Co.'s Steamship

despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 2nd March. at

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHI

COMPANY, LIMITED.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, February 28, 1888. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR TIENTSIN. The Co.'s Steamship

Captain Sellar, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 3rd of March, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Hongkong, February 28, 1888.

A Teither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour :-

ALLIE Rowe, Hawaiian brig, Captain J. Phillips. — Wieler & Co. B. P. CHENRY, American ship, Captain Baron von Klamp, and Baron von Hugo, Hughes. - Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

BYLGIA, German barque, Capt. P. Weiss. -Wieler & Co. CENTENNIAL, American ship, Captain

M. Bearso. - Russell & Co. DOBOTHEA, German barque, Capt. 11. T Moller. - Siemssen & Co. EMB, British barque, Capt. W. Summers.

GREAT ADMIRAL, American ship, Capt. James G. Rowell.—Russell & Co. HATTIE E. TAPLEY, British barque, Capt. J. McConnachy. - Gibb, Livingston & Co. MANUEL, Spanish barque, Capt. Estival.

SHIPPING.

-Remedios & Co.

ARRIVALS. February 27, 1888 :-

Acnia, American barque, 1,135, Reynolds, Nagazaki February 20, Coal. February 28 :-

Meefoo, Chinese steamer, 1,338, M. Lancaster, Wuhu February 22, and Chinkiang 23. General. -- C. M. S. N. Co. Thates, British steamer, 820, W. Y. Hun-

ter, Taiwanfoo via Amog, and Swatow Feb. 27, General. - Douglas STRAMSHIP Co. España, Spanish steamer, 595, Jose Favala, Manila February 25, General -REMEDIOS & Co.

DEPARTURES. To-day's Advertisements.

February 28 :-Breconshire, for Nagasaki and Yokohama. Cassandra, for Singapore and Hamburg. Chow-chow-foo, for Bangkok. Formosa, for Swatow. Alwine, for Hoillow and Pakhoi. Yangleze, for Whampon

Bogliasco, for Bangkok. Carisbrooke, for Saigon. Kwang Lee, for Shanghai. Wingsang, for Singapore. Bantam, for Saigon, Falkenburg, for Saigon. Meejoo, for Whampon.

· OLEARED. Belgia, for Whampon. Phra Chula Chom Klao, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS. ARRIVED: Per Meefoo, from Wuhu, 9 Chinese.

Per Thules, from Coast Ports, Mr Sampson, and 15 Chinese.

Por Breconshire, for Nagasaki, 2 Euro-Per Chow-chow-joo, for Bangkok, 8 Chi-

Per Formoso, for Swatow, 1 European, and 200 Chinese Per Alwine, for Hollow, 30 Chinese. Per Caristrooke, for Saigon, 1 European. Per Kwang Lee, for Shanghai, 126 Chi-

Por Wingsang, for Singapore, 168 Chinese ; for Calcutta, Mr C. A. L. Dunn. Per Bantam, for Saigon, 360 Chinese. Per Fallenburg, for Saigen, 100 Chinese. TO DEPART.

Per Phra Chula Chom Klao, for Swatow, 100 Chinese. Per Bengal, from Hongkong : for Singapore. Mesars G. Gracewood, J. Sloan, J W. Benskin, F. Fox, Baron von Stark, 3 European male servants, and 2 native servants; for Madras, Mr F. B. Tuck; for Bombay, Mesars S. E. Shellim, E. S. Sethna, S. Mehta, P. F. Tolateo and Kavasji Edulji ; for London, Mr and Mrs

Hope Johnstone and maid, Mrs and Master Sloan, Mr and Mrs Foord, Messrs T. A. Nielsen and Jno. Collett ; for London via Marseilles, Mr Jas. West. From Shanghai: for London, Captuin Alington, Mr and Mrs C. T. Gardner, and Miss Gardner, and Mr. Geo. Nicoll. From Nagasaki : for Venice. Rev. and Mrs Stout, Miss and Master Stout. From Kobe : for Brindisi, Mr A. A. Wag-From Yokohama; for Penang, M. E. F. Thomas; for London, Capt. Owehand Messrs A. C. Veramor, P. L. Stek and C.

SHIPPING REPORTS

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The Chinese stoumer Meefoo reports Had fine weather throughout, off Swatow passed a quantity of wreckage most of it pointed white. The British steamer Thales reports : From Swatow to port, had moderate N.E. winds and fine weather.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For AMOY AND MANILA .-Per Dafila, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 20th just., instead of as previously notified.

For KUDAT. SYDNEY, MELBOURNE. Per Chingtu, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-For SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW Por Namoa, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, he 28th inst, instead of as previously notified.

For STRAITS & BOMBAY .-Per Bermida, at 9.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 29th inst. For SWATOW & SHANGHAL .-

Per Canton, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 2nd March. For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. Por Teheran, at 5 p.m., on Friday, tho 2nd March. For TIENTSIN .-

Per Kwongsang, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 3rd March.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET .-The British Contract Packet Bengal wil be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 29th Inst., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyoud, vid Brindisi; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah. Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET .-The United States Mail Packet City of Rio de Janeiro will be despatched on SA-TURDAY, the 3rd March, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Poru, &c., which will be closed as follows :-

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra THE Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-French Contract Packet Saghalien will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 7th March, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, mid Marseilles; to Saigon, Straits Sottlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt Malta, and Gibraltar. he usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

HOURS OF GLOSING THE ENGLISH MAIL. The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet :-

Two Days before Departure,-3 r.m. - Reception of Parcels ceases. Day before Departure,— 2 r. M. -- Money Order Office closes.

2 P.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulara ceases. (Prices Current and Circulars may however be posted up to 4 o'clock if they are tied in bundles, country

by country, with the addresses all Those for the United Kingdom must be divided into (1) London, (2) England and Wales, (3) Scotland, (4) Ireland; those for Germany into (1) Hamburg, (2) other places

in Germany.) 4 P.M.—Registry ceases. Posting of Newspapers, Books, and Patterns

5 P.M. - Mail closes. LATE LETTERS may be then posted in the NIGHT Box at the Post Office with 10 cents late fee up to 9 P.M., after which hour they may be sent on Board with the same Late Fee.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

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FEBRUARY 28, 1888.

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	North-China Insurance Co., Ld	5,000	g 2	£ô	Tis. 100,000	Tls. 406,132.00	Tls. 23.65 for 1886	Tis. 270, buyers	from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 26th inst., and may be expected here
ne l	Yangteze Inturance Company, Ld Union Insurance Society Co., Ld	8,000	E 2	all S 25	£ 50,000 \$ 675,000	Tls. 3.059.76	7 % for 1886 26 %, 1886	Tls. 108	on or about the 3rd prox. The Ben Line steamer Benlarig, from London and Antwerp, left Singapore on
*	China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld	24,000	\$ 83,32	\$ 25	\$ 600,00	\$ 245,240.04 \$ 429,307.96	20% # annum	₹69 874	the 25th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 3rd March.
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28	China Fire Insurance Co., Ld	40,000	\$ 100	8 20 8 20	1	8 17.0 X	8 6 for 1856	819	here on or about the 4th March. The Scottish Oriental Company's new str.
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tes	HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Li	40,000	£ 2.	all {	\$ *40,000 \$ +200,000	3,696 õi	7 % half year Dec. 31/87	\$206, buyers	THE Scottish Oriental S. S. Co.'s steamer
nd	Douglas Steamship Co., Limited Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	20,000	\$.50 £ 19	اله (ع) (ع) 10	8 127,320	3 1151.13	8%	\$50	Devawongse, from Glasgow, left Singapore
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be	MISCELLANEOUS.	12.6		all		\$ 1,901.3	2 10½ % for '87	54 % prem., sales	THY Agent informs us that the M. M. Co.'s steamship Natal, with the next French
on	HK. and China Gas Co., Limited.	5,100	E le	all £ 7.1	£ 9,177.31.	£ 1,527.3.1	10 % and 2 % bonus for 84	\$130 per share, buyers, fully paid up	Mail on board, left Saigon yesterday,
	Hongkong Hotel Company, Lt	3 000	\$ 100	ali		8 678-9	\$5 half year June 30 1887	\$185 n ex div., nominal	(Monday), at 3 p.m. for this port. Messes Butterfield and Swire inform us
326	China Sugar Company, Limited	1		all-		75	6 % for 1 year to June 30/87 016 % for 1887		that the O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Anchiecs,
3	Hongkong Ice Company, Limited Hongkong Bakery Company, Ld	600	3 5	all	\$ 37 50 \$ 6,00		1" % for 1886		from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 26th instant, and is due here on the 3rd prox.
	Luzon Sugar Company, Limited Perak Sugar Cultivation Co Perak Tin Mining & S'ting Co	5,000) T1. 50				None None	Tls. 18 11 820 sales	As will be asen from our columns to-night,
	Punjom & Sunghie Dua Samatan Mining Co.	40.000	8 1	100			None	8121 11	the meeting of the Finance Committee of
	HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co	17,000		ill.	S. C. Sterry JA		None	\$1 39	the Legislative Council this afternoon was held in public. This is the first meeting
, 1	H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Lo A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	3,800	10	ali	\$ 5,00	0 \$ 2,780.0	None 062% int. div	\$49 68°/ _o prem.	that has been open to the represents-
CH.	HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Lo	1,250	10	0 6 5		Payahla		12 % prem., nominal	tives of the press. The business was remitted from to day's meeting of council
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+ Depreciation and Insurance Fund

Shipping. Davlight .- Phra Chula Chom Klao leav for Swatow and Bangkok. 10 a.m. -Bormida leaves for Singapore Penang and Bombay. 4 p m. - Changen leaves for Sydney. 6 p.m .- Nanskan leaves for Swatow. Miscellaneous.

MENOS. FOR TO-MORROW

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BIRTHS. At Shanghai, on the 17th February, the Wife of BEVERLY R. GRAYSTON, of a Son At 'Villino Maria Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, on the 20th Instant, the Wife of CHAY, A. TESCARI, of a Son. At Shanghai, on the 22nd Instant, the Wife of FRANK SMITH, Imperial Maritime Customs, of a Son. At Shanghai, on the 22nd Instant, the

Wife of Sydenham Moutrie, of a Daughter. DEATHS. At Peking, on the 27th January, AALTSE, the beloved Wife of J. Rhein, Esq., Secre-At 9. Albany Gardens, Shanghai, at 7 a.m.

tary of the Netherlands Legation. on the 23rd February, JACOB CHARLES HENEY ISURG, aged 51 years. At 50, Rue Montauban, Shanghai, on the 22nd February, MEHERBAI, Wife of R. Pestonjee, aged 48 years.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.50 p.m.

The China Itiail.

BONGKONG, TUESDAY, PEBRUARY 28, 1888

TELEGRAMS.

SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL'

(Via Southern Line.) BULGARIA DEFIANT.

London, 26th February, 1888. The Government of Sofia declares that it will maintain Prince Ferdinand at any risk.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL. OUTWARD BOUND :- Austin Friars, Jan. 3 : Electra, Telemachus, Feb. 3 : Port Phillip, 7; Stentor, Strathleven, Uppingnam, 14; Genjawoch, Vrympia, Attonower, 17; Benlawers, Oxus, Patroclus, Solo | New vanish before Thy hely | Hardn. HOMEWARD BOUND :- Albany, Jan. 3; Ben-

gloe. Feb. 3 : Devoushire, 7 ; Oopack Lydia, Prometheus, 10; Monmouthshire, 14; Djemnah, Neckar, Sussec, 17 Glenartney, Ingraban, 21.

The O. & O. Co.'s steamship Gadie, with the AMERICAN MAIL on board, is to leave Yokohama on the 24th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 1st March The Canadian Pacific Line steamer Parthia,

from Vancouver, left Kobe for this port on the 26th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 1st March. The steamship Natal, with the FRENCE Matt of January 27th, left Saigon or Monday, February 27th, at 3 p.m. and may be expected here on or about Friday morning, the 2nd March. packet brings replies to letters do spatched from Hongkong on Dec. 20.

The s.s. Huntingdon left Singapore on the 24th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd March. The steamship Pathan left Singapore on the 25th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 2nd March. The P. & O. 'extra' steamship Khiva

instant, and is due here on the 3rd prox. As will be seen from our columns to-night, the meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council this afternoon was by the Governor for votes of money. It turbance he was given in charge. more than one point of public interest

Messas Gibb, Livingston & Co. inform us Duning the week ending 26th February that the Ben Line steamer Benlarig, from 144 Europeans and 2,873 Chinese visited London and Antwerp, left Singapore for the City Hall Museum. this port and Japan on the 25th inst.

FIFTEEN persons were brought before Mr Wise in the Police Court to-day, charged with unlawful cracker-firing. They were fined \$1 each.

Two intelligent Chinamen were walking up Glenealy Road the other day. -First Chi namon (pointing to vontilating shaft) :-'Hullo ! what's that thing !' Second Chi namen :- Why, that's a chimney ; a thing for letting out smoke, you know.' First Chinaman :- Oh, I say, come off. Where does the smoke come from? Second Chinaman (slightly puzzled) :- Well, I suppose there's a big cookhouse underground. First Chinaman :- 'Hi-yah !'

BEFORE Mr A. G. Wise, in the Police Court to-day, Pang Tuk Cheung, of the Tung Fung Chan shop, Wing Lok Street, was charged by Mr A. Shelton Hooper, Government Valuer, with making false returns of his rents received for 5 tenements,-Nos. 47, 51, 53, 58, and 60, Stone Nullah. The defendant's rent collector appeared and stated that defendant had gone to Macao. His Worship adjourned the case till Thursday, in order that Pang Yuk Choung might be able to attend.

2419 A DOZEN Chinese householders were brought up in the Police Court to-day, at the instance of Mr J. R. Germain, Chief Inspector of Nuisances, charged with permitting accumulations of filth to remain in the immediate neighbourhood of their premises. In each case a fine of a dollar was imposed, with the alternative of three days' imprisonment. Other two persons, who were charged with depositing decaying vegetable matter and other rubbish on the street, were each fined \$2.00, or in default six days' imprisonment.

> A CORRESPONDENT writes from Macao:-A large number of our leading rehealth to our beautiful colony.

THE following is the programme for Me Sangater's 6th Organ Recital, to take place on Thursday evening next, the 1st March, at 9 o'clock :--

Andante, Offertoire in C. Minor, ... Ti Prego, Bolo-It is enough (Elijah), (Mr. C. HIBST.) March Religieuse,

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(Miss Sangster.) Prelude and Page, ...

Recit. and Solo-

(Mr. E. A. MRASOR.) Offertoire in O. A collection will be made as usual, in aid of the Organ Fund.

CAPTAIN Lefavour of the s.s. Honam reto Canton on Sunday night, having on Sundries. During the night of the 27th she sprung a leak and foundered, drowning the master and two others of the crew. water, sails and masts above water, Lankut bearing W. N. W., dist. 4 miles; some boats are standing by. I cautioned them about showing a light at night."

THE Hongkong Jockey Club Ball took place last night at the City Hall, under most favourable circumstances. There was a large attendance, although His Excellency to slight indisposition. The decorations were graceful and appropriate, the emblem

John Brown, a man described as of no occupation, was charged at the instance of Mr W. Goulburn, in the Police Court today, before Mr A. G. Wise, with being drunk yesterday and creating a disturbance at the Government offices. The comcame inside and crested a disturbance. He course to follow. was drunk, and complainant sceing his condition told him to call next day, but he refused to move. Complainant told Hon. held in public. This is the first meeting Mr Price about it, and defendant then early in March, and will be succeeded at that has been open to the represents. went into the Surveyor General's office. tives of the press. The business was Mr Price told complainant to give defent Mansfield the post being occupied until remitted from to-day's meeting of council dant in charge if he did not keep Mr Mansfield's arrival T bir Coulthard and consisted of several recommendations quiet, and as he continued to make a dis-Worship imposed a fine of \$2.50, with the splate, a post which he will take up next alternative of four days' imprisonment.

A cooler named He Ahing was brought before Mr A. G. Wise, in the Police Court today, charged with stealing a silver bangle from the person of a child. He was convicted on evidence and sentenced to six months' hard labour.

A PRIVATE correspondent at Peking writes us as follows :- We are in the full swing of gaioty as usual. We have already had a French and English play and on Thursday (the 9th) we present our piece de resistance Meg's Divorsion at the British Legation theatre. The next day Sir Robert Hart gives a grand fancy dress ball; masks, dominos and all the rest of it. The band comes up from Tientain. Our Literary and Debating Society has gathered new strength with its second year. We have had some lively debates and papers. The Peking Oriental Society and Missionary Association are also to the fore. The cross of St. Andrew is still held aloft in the breezes of Peking. Our Burns' dinner was a triumphant success, Haggis superb and so was the whisky whatever'; songs, speeches, dances, and a grand display of fireworks. Rebearsals, skating, bowling, riding, dancing &c. make great demands on our time, and you can hardly realise what a restless sea of intellectual and social activity Peking presents in ALTHOUGH it would appear that the share-

holders of public Companies here are

nwakening to the fact that the direction of

these concerns is a legitimate subject of public discussion, shareholders fight shy of appearing as critics in propria persona at the meetings. They prefer to address the papers, and we cannot but admire Captain Talbot for having done so over his own signature. There may have been a little bias in Captain Talbot's letter, but it was temperately worded, and it thereby the more easily attained the object for which it was written. It is, we think, to the credit sidents assembled on the steamer wharf of the Board of Directors of the Dock this morning to bid farewell to Mr Company that they have frankly and open-A. J. Bastos Jr. and Mrs Bastos, ly made mention of the fact that the faffairs who go to Europe by the P. & O. of the Company have recently been made steamer Bengal. They purpose putting the subject of comment in the local newstheir children to School and returning next papers.' Indeed, it would be well were year. After a cordial leave-taking Chi- Directors of Public Companies generally to nese fireworks were let off. Mr Bastos was | cultivate a franker mode of explanation as entertained at the Union Club on Saturday to the real state of the concerns they direct evening. He is very popular and justly than has been the rule in days gone by. so. We wish him and family a pleasant Unquestionably the under-current of growtrip and trust that they will return in good ling or discontent over real or fancied defects seldom reaches the ears of the Directors, and this is almost invariably owing to a want of frankness on the part of shareholders. If shareholders, therefore, were to follow the example of Captain Talbot, and speak or write openly upon matters which concerned the welfare of the Companies in which they were interested, Directors would incur a certain responsibility if they ignored such representations. This is not chargeable to the Dock Board on this occasion, and, as we have seen, the Chairman's references to the points raised exercised a most wholesome effect upon the minds of shareholders, and possibly prevented the stormy proceedings which were generally anticipated. It must be admitted that the Board had a most effective raply to Captain Talbot's complaint as to the payports :- On coming down to-day, stopped ment of excessive divide ds, inasmuch as off wreck of a junk at 10.15 a.m., and took efforts had been made by certain shareon board three of the crew and one pas- holders to force even larger dividends than senger. From enquiries I learned she was those recommended by the Board. This named the Wo-tu and left Hongkong bound | reply, however, acted as a healthy reminder to the shareholders generally, and Capboard over 3000 Piculs Rice and a few tain Talbot's letter in this respect had an effect even wider than its writer originally intended. We do not purpose discussing the other portions of Mr Bell-Irving's well-The wreck is lying in about 4 fathoms of worded speech. As regards any proposal for a new issue of shares, or of debentures ; the excess in the cost of the Admiralty dook, and the probable carning power of this new addition to the Company's property; the advisability or otherwise of continuing to give a bonus to contributors of business; and the increase in the number of Directors :- most of these are matters which can be viewed from so many the Governor was absent owing, we believe, and various stand points, that they may well be left to the discretion of the Board, unless a very strong consensus of opinion of the Jockey Club and the ever-present exists amongst the shareholders themselves. horse-shoe being largely utilised, while One of the worst phases of such matters is, flowers, evergreens, and flags played their that questions of this nature are so apt part in making the staircase, landing, here to shape themselves so as to work into dancing halls, and theatre attractive to the hands of operators in stocks. By the numerous guests of the Club. Supper was genuine investor this consideration ought served in the Theatre, and dancing was never to be forgotten, and the action of kept up in St. George's and St. Andrew's the Board should invariably be judged Halls until about 2 o'clook, to the enliven- apart from such possibilities as bulls and ing strains of the Northamptonshire Band, bears. A concern like that of the Dock Company is sound and solid in proportion to its power and ability to meet and exccute all work; and in that respect the Company referred to is perhaps as sound as any in existence. It may have ite streaks of unusually good business, and its moderate periods of dulners. To meet these plainant stated that defendant came to his varying conditions the writing down of office and knocked at the door for a con- assets and the moderating of dividends siderable length of time, and afterwards seem to be the most prudent and wise

In addition to the Consular changes mentioned recently, we hear, says the N.-U. Daily News, that Mr Giles goes on leave Tamani by Mr Bourne from Wuhu. Mr Bourne's successor at Wuhu will be Ma from Shanghai. In the Spanish service a change is about to be made, M. de Bonille His having been transferred to the Amoy Conthat Captain Gulland, formerly in command cently of the Claymore, has been appointed local agent of the 'Mutual' line of stea-

THE Emperor of Japan has, according to to the Chinese Government for a couple of Manchurian olks (12 pu siang ts2) such as were recently presented to the Emperor of Germany. It is said that they are remark-

THE Nagasaki Express says :- The German cruising squadron, consisting of the Bismarck, Carola and Sophie, according to present arrangement, are reported to be due here from Hongkong via China ports about the 28th April, and will leave again for Kobe about the 15th May.

THE N.-C. Daily News says :- Captain Thomas P. W. Nesham has assumed command of H.M.S. Satellite, the commission of Captain Arthur H. Alington her recent Commander, having expired. As Captain of \$40 per month, Alington left the vessel the sailors manned the yards and cheered him.

THE N.-C. Dilly News says :- We understand that the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank offered in London on Monday, on account of the Government of Manila, £300,000 cumulative preference shares of a railway now being constructed or to be constructed in the Philippines, in shares of £10 each, bearing interest at 7 per cent. per annum, at par. Also £730,000 6 per debentures of same at £97.10 per

We hear privately that Capt. Seymour, now in command of the P. & O. S.S. Teheran, is ordered home to take command of one of the large ships. Although regretting the departure of that officer, who has made himself very popular on the station, we in company with many others are gratified to know that he will be succeeded by Captain Mudie, formerly in command of the Thibet. The decision of the Court of Enquiry at Yokohama was so totally contrary to the facts, the law, and to common-sense, that we are not surprised that, when they had all the facts before them, the Directors, strict as they are, reinstated Captain Mudie in his command. - Japan Herald.

COREA. We hear that the Japanese Government has built a coaling station at un expense of yen 20,000 in Fusan Harbour, on Deer Island; and since this have also one more on Roze Island, near Chemulpo (or, as the Japs are pleased to call it, Jinsen). It would appear that Corea has lost none of its former interest to its neighbours. A new hospital has also been built in Fusan Harbour, Deer Island, on a well chosen site. The Treaty Ports in Corea are to be provided with additional godown accommodation and, on the whole, things appear to be brightening up for the country. Band in the foreign settlement in Chemulpo, efigible for residences, offices or warehouses, is said to have risen over three hundred per cent. during the last three years. - Shanghai Mercury.

THE Kuling, the pioneer steamer of the Upper Yangtsze Navigation Company had a slight mishap on her maiden trip. The N. C. Daily News says :- While the forced draught was, being used, the casing of the funnel got very hot, and some of the light woodwork in proximity to it was charred, but there was no fire, the funnel and casing were promptly cooled, and there was no recurrence of the trouble. Such accidents were likely enough to happen with a new steamer, the machinery of which has several novelties, whose proper working requires a little time and experience. The Kuling was to leave Hankow with a cargo for Ichang on Saturday last, having been detained by the New Year holidays. Shanghai Courier says :- A proclamation, wo hear, had been posted at the Ichang Custom House, for the Kuling to proceed to Chungking.

THE N.-C. Daily News says :- The latest news from the Yellow River inundation front is very satisfactory so far as the distribution of rice, clothing, and money by the Government is concerned. The authorities have risen to the occasion, and both in Honan and Anhui have provided several million tacks for the relief of the sufferers. These are comparatively well-off wherever the foreign distributors have been able to go, and the intention of the authorities was to increase the allowance after the new year. Many changes have taken place among the people by the removal of numbors to other places, and the draining of the waters in some parts has enabled the farmers to return home to a considerable extent. The authorities appear unwilling to accept the aid of foreigners, on the ground that the people knowing there has been a vast amount of silver sent by Government for distribution, they might be accused by them as not doing their full part in the matter. As was previously mentioned, the money now in hand will ere long be advantageously dispensed, when the lack of the winter harvest will be more seriously felt, and our distributors are counselled not to overdo the work, which at present is being so well done by the Government authorities.

MEETING OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. held this afternoon. There were present:

H. E. Sir William Des Voux, K.C.M.G., on Monday. Governor; His Honour Mr J. Russell, Acting Chief Justice; Hon. F. Stewart, Colonial Secretary; Hon. E. L. O'Malley, Attorney General; Hon. A. Lister, Colomial Treasurer; Hon. H. G. Thomsett, the Council, the Colonial Secretary presid-Harbour Master; Hon. P. Ryrie, Hon. Wong Shing, Hon. J. Bell-Irving, Hon. A. P. MacEwen, Hon. C. P. Chater, and

Mr Soth, Clerk of Councils. duly-appointed member of the Council.

MESSAGE FROM THE QUEEN. His Excellency-I have received a despatch from the Secretary of State wit reference to Her Majeaty's Jubilee, which I shall read !---

Downing St., 10th Jan. 1888. Queen your dispatch, No. 370, of 25th November last, and I am commanded by Her Majesty to inform you that she has read with much interest the accounts of the Jubilee celebrations in Hongkoug.

Her Majesty deeply regrets to hear the unfortunate accidents referred to in last paragraph of your despatch. I have the honour to be, &c.,

(Signed) H. T. HOLLAND. VOTES RECOMMENDED.

Governor to the Council :-

to vote the sum of \$300 as a contribution towards the maintenance of the Royal Naval Scamens Club. It THE N.-C. Daily News says :- We learn | usual, it was explained, for the Colonies to give assistance to similar institutions, which of some of the crack 'Glen' boats, and re- provided a place of meeting for sailors and revented them from going to under rable

The Governor recommended the Conneil to vote the sum of \$24 as additional pay to the gatekeeper at the Government Civil the Shi Pac, applied through his Minister Hospital. The Superintendent had recommended that an Indian should be appointed at an increased salary instead of a Chi-

His Excellency said he might mention that the reason for this change was that to be acquainted with persons coming to fees. It was omitted from the estimates by the Hospital and would therefore be less likely to be enticed into any irregularities.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote the sum of \$580 for a collector and coolies in the Treasury Department employed in connection with the collection of village rents and squatters' fees.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote the sum of \$240 as allowance for a teacher of the Mandarin dialect for Messrs May and Sercombe Smith, being at the rate On the motion of the Colonial Secretary these recommendations were remitted to

the Finance Committee. HARBOUR MASTER'S REPORT. The report of the Harbour Master was

laid on the table. THE OPIUM ORDINANCE 1888. His Excellency said he proposed to postnone the first reading of this Bill.

THE TREES PRESERVATION ORDINANCE. The Atterney General - The object of this Bill is to enable the Governor in Coun- | really very few. Still there are occasions cil to impose a special rate upon districts in when Mandarins come to the Colony no forth are being injured and for the re- or twice to send for special Mandarin inmoval of such additional rate when the terpreters. nature of the case admits it.

THE RATING ORDINANCE. Sir, the first reading of a bill The Rating Ordinance 1888. The obgood deal of attention lately, and in which I

second reading. The bill was read a first time. THE REGULATION OF CHINESE ORDINANCE.

ances relating to the regulation of Chinese, a expected soon. series of ordinance commencing in the year alteration, or very little alteration on the nothing. existing ordinances. The bill was introduced upon the report of the commission-

ers for revising these ordinances. The bill having been read a second time, the Council went into committee. His Excellency—The Commission has

suggested that Section 4, defining the powers and duties of the Registrar General, should be repealed. After some consideration. I think, on the whole, it may very well be repealed. It contains a provision dropping from the Ordinance, I wish it, however, to be distinctly understood that no change, as far as I am particulars from it :concerned, is thereby meant in position or duties of the office of Registrar Countains WHENCE ARRIVED. General. I am quite satisfied that; considering the extreme difference between the nabits and mode of thought and mode of expression of the Chinese and our own. it is absolutely necessary that there should be some official specially acquainted with their language who should be a medium of communication between those inhabitants 9. Great Britain of the Colony, and whose special care should 10. India and Singapore,........ be that their interests should come before him in the way that his judgment can be properly directed to their cause. I do not see any! reason at the present moment to change this. I only mention this lest the repeal of this section for other reasons may be taken to mean some intention on my part to alter the position and duties of the 20. Sandwich Islands

Registrar General The Acting Chief Justice-I may say that there was no intention whatever on the part of the Law Revision Commission to alter in any way the status of the Registrar General. We recommended the omission of this clause simply because it was really surplusage, and did not add to

his powers in any way, His Excellency-The last part is really unnecessary. It seems to give the Rogistrar General undesirable powers. The Chief Justice-It looks as if wo

were giving him inquisitorial powers that are not used. Mr Ryrie-It seems to make him a

The omission of the clause was agreed to. His Excellency, with reference to clause 2, which refers to the ordinances repealed by this ordinance, said :- It has been represented to me, but I have not yet had time to consider it, that it may be advisable o frame some measure for the registration of servants which may be of more practical effect. At present, I am told, the provisions of the ordinance are entirely disregarded and are quite obsolete.

The bill, after several minor alterations. was read a third time and passed.

His Excellency-I propose that we meet next on Monday. After that there will be an interval, as I propose taking a fortnight's A meeting of the Legislative Council was leave to go to Singapore on the following Wednesday, so that if convenient to the members I should like the Council to meet

The Council then adjourned till Monday. MEETING OF FINANCE COM-

A meeting of the Finance Committee was hold immediately after the adjournment of

The Chairman said the business before the meeting was the consideration of the recommendations remitted by the Council. The first vote was that for \$3 0 as a Colonial contribution to the Royal Nava Hon. J. Bell-Irving took the oath as a Seamens' Club. He did not think it was necessary to say anything in support of this vote. The Club was labouring under difficulties at present; the rent and taxes were high, and unless the Club received some assistance it would have to be shut up altogether. The institution was of great benefit to sailors and did a great deal of good, and as in the other Colonies Sir, - I had the honour to lay before the similar assistance was given it was thought advisable to give assistance here.

It was agreed to recommend the vote to the Council The Chairman said the next vote was a small increase to the salary of the watchman at the Government Civil Hospital There had been a change reor ntly and the keeper rather han a Chinese; and after

ADMINAL Lang with the Pei yang squadron | the following recommendations by the that they will have to retire, Already one would be a cat idiomatic phrases and a vocabulary of able support. We are scarcely prepared to now to carnestly warn you, from the date of that they will have to retire. Already one good one or at any rate that it was worth The Governor recommended the Council while allowing a small increase of pay to the amount of 82 a month and that an compliment the author on the lucid man. English language; but seeing the diffi- thoroughly change your former misdeed, sent a request to find a vacant house, by no Indian gatekeeper should be appointed. Hon, Mr Ryrie-What do you propose

to do with the Chinaman? The Chairman-He has retired on account of ill-health. Mr Ryrie-If it was a question of dis-

should certainly object to that. The Chairman-Thoro has been nothing done in that way. The man has voluntarily retired, and it was simply a question of filling up the vacancy. The vote was then passed.

The Chairman said the next note was one of \$588 to the Treasury for the salaries of the officers employed in connection with the an Indian gatekeeper would be less likely collection of village rents and squatter's mistake. The last item was also the result of a slip on the part of the Registrar future of Volapük. General's Department. Since the cadets had been sent to Pekin to study the Mandarin dialect it was necessary to keep that purpose it was necessary that they should have a teacher. In sending in the estimates the Registrar General forgot to

> insert this item. Hon Mr MacEwen-Is that not more for the written than the spoken language? The Chairman-No, the written language is the same all over : it is the spoken

Mr MacEwen-Do they have also toacher for Cantoness in addition to this? The Chairman-Yes, in addition to this. They are studying Cantonese and they are keeping up Mandarin at the same time. Mr MacEwen-What opportunities are there for speaking Mandarin here?

which there is reason to believe trees and | The Attorney. General-We had once

The Chairman - I am afraid there are

The Colonial Treasurer-It puts the Colong in rather an awkward position when The Colonial Treasurer-I beg to move, Chinese officers come here and there, is noentitled | body able to speak to them.

Hon. Mr MacEwen-May I ask wha ject of this bill is to consolidate the law has been done in connection with the rerelating to rating, which has occupied a port of the Interpretation Commission mentioned the matter some time many defects exist at present. I propose | sgo and I understood that you were then to explain the bill more at length on the waiting for the return of the Acting Chief Justice, Mr Russell. Has anything been done since that time

The Chairman said the interpretation The Attorney General-I beg. Sir. to papers were laid before the Governor the move the second reading of the bill entitled | other day, but there were also matters with the Regulation of Chinese Ordinance regard to certain increases for officers 1888. As I explained on introducing it, it studying Chinese that had also gone before is for the consolidation of all existing ordin- His Excellency, and his final decision was

The Colonial Treasurer remarked that 1858, the last being in 1886. It repeats the Colonial Secretary and himself had all that is left of these ordinances and re- | been hard at work upon the papers ever enacts their provisions in a more conveni- since, with the result, of course, as usual, ent form. Substantially it proposes no that they had been accused of doing

> The two last votes were then passed. This concluded the business.

THE TRADE OF HONGKONG.

An elaborate table prepared by the Hon. H. G. Thomsett, Harbour Master, giving the number, tonnage and crews of steathat is now no longer desirable and in the Colony of Hongkong during 1887, was other respects it is unnecessary. While I laid on the table of the Legislative Council this afternoon. We take the following With Cargoes, In Ballast.

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REVIEW.

Universal Language or Volapuk, con taining the principles of grammar and syntax and a vocabulary of 3,000 words, by Jules A. van Aalst of the Chinese Imperial Customs Service. -Amoy, Man-Shang.

The author of this little volume, while according the honour to Mr Poletti of having imported Volapitk into China, says that he was impelled to undertake the publication of this work by an ardent admiration for the Universal Language and by the 'regrettable fact that if a Volapik grammar has progress, chiefly among Germin-speaking hesitates about buying. If on account of Americans have always rented property in been published in English, it has at all peoples, but we do not think our Teutonic your greed for this small advantage, the the southern auburb, where no prominent events not yet reached China. The small English, which thousands if not millions of case you will be ruining your own Mohammedanism is a foreign religion, there Superintendent thought better discipline book before us contains all the rules of them speak with great accuracy and fluency, regular means of livelihood, and it may seems a bond of sympathy rather than a could be enforced if he had an Indian gate. Grammar and Syntax found in the princithe opinion of the Colonial Surgeon had pal works on the subject, to which the

about three thousand words. We must ner in which he expounds the subject, and we cannot but admire the patient himself to his task, especially seeing, as he tells us, the work was written missing him and putting on an Indian, I and printed within the space of one month, the supply of type being scarcely sufficient to print four pages at, a time, while the staff was composed of a single type setter and himself to do the writing and correcting. But while rendering due praise to the cuthusiasm and carnesiness of the author, we must confess that we cannot follow him in his visionary dream of the

language is based are pretty well known; it up on their return to the Colony, and for Its rules as to word formation and grammatical construction are uniform and somewhat more easily acquired than English would be to a foreigner. Lts simplicity." however. has been rather over-estimated. In many points the living English language is much simpler. It is a well-known fact that languages as they develop tond to throw &c. The English language has reached the highest development in this respect. You the few irregularities in the for all the German residents in Shanghai. mation of the plural of English nouns: The same observation may be made with deputation and, addressing Dr Fooke, regard to the inflection of pronouns. The said :lecleusion of the verb also is more complex comes in the Imperfect alofob; I loved; in Excellency Mr von Brandt, our respected

> language that claims to be the highest tentiary of the German Empire, outcome of philological development. The The strength of this tendency is seen in a or help. marked manner in the various dialects into

unintelligible between different nations.

Most languages contain thouidiomatic phrases; and this brand new scientific language must either peculiar idioms of its own or adopt those of some existing language; and in any case the difficulty of learning warding it to its destination. It was pleathese expressions would be little less than sant to every one to know that their labours whose idioms differed widely from the Vo-I count they were undertaken, and he was lapük idioms. A Frenchman says Je n'en therefore sure that Mr. von Brandt would puis plus -literally 'I cannot more of it'- be much gratified to see that his endeavours for 'I am exhausted.' A German says Es to strougthen and forward German comschickt sich nicht'-'It sends itself not for merce in China were appreciated by his 'It is not suitable' and so on. Mr Aalst countrymon. says such idioms are to be rendered in Vo- The deputation then shook hands with lapük by phrases presenting a clear sense the Consul-General, and this terminated and according to the principles of the new the proceedings which were, of course, carlanguage; but we fear that unless more ried out throughout in the German langurigid rules are applied and long lists of age. N.-U Daily News. equivalents for such phrases are given .which would have to be learned and rigorously adhered to-the Volapük of Germany or the Volapük of China or Turkey would soon become unintelligible to all but following warning to the native traders the natives of these places. And after against the adulteration of waste silk :-all Volapuk is but a hash up of several Euvicissitudes of the nation. The mass of causing loss to those engaged in the trade statue has to the person it represents. Amongst the frauds practised were (1) of different tongues -a sort of enormous things; in such a number of ways, in short, ableness for this end. There are very few cheat. And should it happen that the merchants conducting international com- frauds escaped detection, before the goods merce who are not acquainted with one of were shipped for European countries, the the three great European languages, Eng- resulting loss naturally became exceedingly lish, French or German; and as education serious. The sample handed in actually mer press for a satisfactory settlement, but guages for those destined for commerce dust mixed with it. Though the sample in of these three great languages will become all places were the same, and both the be. 'Yield ten parts' for others, and more general. As to the possibility of peasantry and the dealers seemed to be China or any Asiatic nation taking to learn concerned in it. This was becoming more Catholics still continue to have trouble in Volapilk, we think it is about as likely that serious year by year, and it was difficult to the city of Chiming-chui. The Presby- Wlostock. 30.13 -1: 75 waw 1 b 1 -they would start to learn the dialect of some see where it would end. Unless the ut- terian Mission, which for several years has Tokio 30.16 - - - ww 6 --tribe of Red Indians. A living European most efforts were made to restrain it, then peaceably rented a house and street chapel Nagasaki. 30.28 - x 1 of people and fairly understood by as in the tea trade, and with the same trouble in prospect. The landlord, who for Amoy 30.19 54 87 waw 4 b jargon, has already made great head. Jardine, Matheson & Co. begged Mr it to others or use it for other pur. Bolinao.... 29.99 78 - 2 2 0 way in Asia, and we do not believe Hughes to move the Taotal to order the poses. It is not certain how much this that any of the educated classes in these trade to do their best to set this matter action is due to the opposition that has lands will abandon the study of the lan- right, in the interests of the silk market. guage and literature of England for Vols-

tious dream it is to universalise their own selves to set this matter right. its orthography. A phonetic system of writing doubtedly been tempered with, which is raised against the Church of England mis-

admissible in foreign correspondence, would ontirely do away with the need for a mepufactured language of the type of Volapük. There would also be this great advantage, proclamation. that these who had mastered phonetic English would soon be able to read English 'as she is wrote.'

We are sorry we cannot hope for a large success to attend the work of Mr Aalst. He certainly deserves for the concise and lucid way he has explained the new language, and we cannot but admire the wonderful knowledge of the structure of the English language he has at the same time manifested but we believe the dream of a universal language can only be realised, like all other grand schemes The principles on which this so-called by the slow working of the great natura law of the survival of the fittest, and we trust that the universal language when does come, he it a modification of English or some different language, will as far excel Volapuk in rhythm, cuphony and expressiveness as any modern language of Europe excels the poor uncouth jargon of

off case inflections such as dative, accusative PRESENTATION OF AN ADDRESS

TO THE GERMAN MINISTER. On the 18th inst. a deputation from the in Volapiik, the German inventor, led Gorman Community of Shanghai, consistnatray doubtless by the influence of his own ing of Mr Siebs of Mesars Siemsson & Co. language, gives his nouns a genitive, dative Mr. Jantzen of Messrs Melchers & Co., and and accusative case. They are regularly Mr Bieber of Messrs Justus Lembke & Co., formed of course, but the difficulties con- waited on Dr Focke, the German Consul nected with such inflection would be far General, at the Consulate, to request him to greater to a people whose language had no forward to Peking an address to the German such forms than the acquirement of Minister, Mr von Brandt, signed by nearly

Mr Bieber acted as the spokesman of the

I have the honour. Dr Focke to hand than in English. It is based on the Ger- von herewith an address from the German man model. The verb loftin, to love, be- Mercantile Community in Shanghai to His the Perfect, elofob, I have loved; in the Minister, which has been occasioned by the Pluperfect, ilofob; Future, olofob, I shall attacks made on our Minister in the local love; in the Future Perfect, whifob. This press. Though it was only drawn up a few may appear easy to those acquainted with days ago, it has been most readily signed German and Latin declension, but to those seventy-five names being subscribed to it who know nothing but the simple and few and it represents the feelings of all the changes of the English verb, it must be a German merchants here. I have to beg source of great embarrassment. The imit- you to kindly forward it to the Minister. ation also of the languages of antiquity in and with your permission I will read it :-forming the personal ending of the verb by To His Excellency M. S. von Brandt suffixing the pronouns seems strange in a Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipo-

The undersigned members of the Gerformation of words has of course man mercantile community in Shanghai, been simplified as much as possible. Ik tender their warmest thanks to your Exadded to a noun makes an adjective and on cellency for the interest which your Exa verb and so on. It may be easily ima- celloney has always taken in the German gined that very uneuphonic combinations | trade with China, for the admirable prompoccur by the very uniformity of the forma- titude and energy with which your Excel tion. The departures from regularity lency has always laboured to remove the of formation - reduced to a minimum in obstacles put in the way of German com-English—have been made in nearly all living merce in this country, and especially for languages for the sake of suphony, and as the smisbility which your Excellency has they are greatest in the commonest words, always shown and the kind assistance your it shows that men are led almost inde- Excellency has always rendered to all Gerpendent of their wills to modify the sounds man firms and individuals whenever they of common words to suit their vocal organs. have applied to your Excellency for advice

The undersigned, your Excellency's which every language becomes sub-divided: | countrymen, are well aware that although mers, sailing vessels and junks entered in | We fear that if this Volaptik ever became | your Excellency's efforts are principally dea spoken language, which some of its most | voted to the furtherance of the interests of ardent supportors never expect, it would our own country, still all other natious in soon begin to break up into dialects, which commercial relations with China have bene would in process of time become almost fited by the successes achieved by your Excellency. For this reason we, the under But the learning of words and gram- signed, have been greatly aggrieved by the matical construction are not the only shameless attacks which have lately been difficulties in the acquirement of a made on your Excellency in the English Press of Shanghai.'

(Here follow seventy-five signatures of German residents in Shanghai.) In receiving the address Dr Focke said that he should have very great pleasure in forthat of acquiring a foreign tongue to those were acknowledged by those on whose ac-

WASTE SILK FRAUDS.

The Shanghai Taotal has issued the

A PROCLAMATION. ropean languages, and the whole system of On the 4th of February the Tautai restructure is based on European models. To ceived a note from the British Consulan Asiatic or a native of Africa, therefore, Coneral Hughes, stating that Messrs Jar it would present about as many difficulties dine. Matheson & Co. had represented to as any modern living language of Europe. him that of late Chinese merchants had But the chief objection to Volaptik is been practising serious fraude in the pre that it is not a language in the real sense of paration and packing of waste silk, and had the word. The language of a people is a begged that the local authorities might be part of its history, has been built up requested to give orders for efforts to be through the centuries and shaped by the made to right the matter, so as to avoid words composing Volapitk can at best have otherwise European merchants would hesias much resemblance to a language as a tate about making further purchases. It may be said that V lapuk is not meant to using lime in order to give a gloss to the replace the existing languages, and that colours, and (2) mixing in other substances its chief use will be as a moutral in order to increase the weight; or sometimes means of communication between nations filling the pierced cocoons with pulse and like postal code. But we doubt even its suit- that it was most difficult to detect the progresses and the study of the dead lan- contained a quantity of iron filings and iron the latter insist on a total yielding from the becomes gradually obsolete, the knowledge question was purchased at Hankow, still Yield three parts, but here it seems to language already spoken by 120 millions the same results would be likely to follow in this city, seems likely to have a little Shanghai. 30.12 42 83 sz 2 b half, as many again, and presenting about disastrous falling off, as it would become some three years has rented a small house Hongkong 30:11 61 56 2 4 c as few difficulties as this new unmusical too late to regain lost ground. Mesers to the foreigner, now wants to rent Haiphong. 30.01 64 81 ENE 3 or

proper authorities to take steps to prohibit for property in this city. Heretofore the and the weather is fine. Mr van Aalst days The thoughtless these practices, and has directed the repre American missionaries have rented proobstinacy of certain peoples, whose ambi- sentatives of the silk trade to exert them. perty, and even lived in this place, without

pronunciation. Volapuk has made some zerious, and is calculated to make them and orders of the Tsung il Xamen. The The English language has only one great be too late for repentance. The Taotal ground for friction and persecution. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table, been given on the point it was thought author has added translations, the common has been proposed and has received consider really most about the table. He has therefore monaries at Tai an fur it seems probable

our language on this account, we think obedience and continue these knavish the English Baptist Mission, who have come that a phonetic style of writing English, tricks, as soon as ever they are discovered, to help locate a station in Chi-nan-fu, are be a boon to the world at large and would the law provides. Absolutely no leniency opposition has aroused a fright, which prewill be shown. Let all tremble and obey. Do not disobey ! Most urgent ! A special

> NOTES FROM NATIVE PAPERS Li Hung-tend, who was on his way to Poking, having abandoned all hope of stopping the gap, has been ordered peremptorily back with instructions to see that the work performed within a prescribed date. News from Kinking says the distress becoming very serious, and crowds of refugees are flocking to the city.

Marquis Tseng will be appointed, according to a telegram dated Tientein, 7th inst. and published in a Japan vernacular, President of the Chinese Kailway Company. Grand Secretary Yen has received, according to the Hupao, a letter from the gentry of Chi-nan (Shantung Province) in- Chi-nan-fu. The Minister has sent a letter forming him that if the water of the Yellow River should be turned into its former course through Shantung; the inhabitants of that Province will not be able to live sels of the different Yamens and powers there, as these unfortunate people have often been subject to floods, and its attendant miseries. The writers therefore beg His Excellency to have compassion on the the water can be led back to the northern people of Shantung, and not listen to the course or not. Thus the Government is advice of others.

A correspondent of the Hupao gives the following description of the aborigines of Formosa :- They are generally very tall and run as fast as hunting dogs. Their burst its banks and devastated so many faces are flat, and when they see any one, here de of homes. N. C. Daily News! their eyes roll about like foulish fellows. Commondent, Their leeth are red in consequence of eeting plenty of chestnuts. They wear brass bangles round their wrists, and the women have rings or silver chains hung round their necks. The men also wear carrings, with in the Paris Figure, of a valuable remedy which are engraved with flowers, etc. Their and premature decay. The discovery was distinction, have these pieces of cloth em- Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C., will

According to a telegram received at receipt of a self addressed stamped enve-Peking from Honan three-tenths of the lope. requisite material had been stored at the reat gap on the lat of February, on which late the repairs were to begin in earnest.

The fall of snow around Peking has been very bountiful this winter, and the native press understand from its correspondents that general confidence is entertained that the wheat harvest will be abundant.

Peking.

The recovery of the Seventh Prince does not progress very rapidly. He lives on milk and congee in very small quantities. He has never taken any foreign medicine. -Chinese Times.

The Shanghai community owes much to the spirited advocacy of the Bonded Warehouses and dredging of the Woosung Bar in the Councils of the Tsung-li Yamen by a well-known Chinese statesman. This is not the first and I hope it will not be the last of the many signs of progress that are being initiated by the Chinese Government. The success of foreign trade is known to be ultimately bound up with the Chinese tariff and revenue. The mere question of expense, it may be taken for granted, will not retard these and other necessary improvements. It is, it must ever be remembered, very hard for one or two progressive Chinese statesmen to struggle against the com- On Bombaybined conservatism of a dozen or more colleagues. Nevertheless the party of progress must in the end prevail. Apropos of this, the question debated lately at your Literary Society, what China would do if all foreign influence were absolutely withdrawn, would be extremely interesting.

Tientsin.

sheep's wool now in Tung Chou are large, and daily arrivals come in from the desert, BAROMETER- 9 A.M.... 30.08 so that there will be more than enough to satisfy any demand that may arise for export in the spring and early summer. The THERMOMETER-9 A. W.... European and American markets however, send favourable accounts, and the prices current will give no profit, but rather loss to the exporters of last year. As a rule the stocks of wool are weighted with sand and dirt to the extent of twenty-five to thirty per cent. A parcel, warranted by the Chinese dealer to be unusually clean, was tested a few days ago, and proved to have twenty-eight per cent, of sand. Some parcels of camel's wool have as much as forty per cent of sand and gravel mixed with the fibres

"The stocks of strawbraid are also large, and stocks in Europe are excessive also. The quality, with few exceptions, is irregular, mixed, and of short lengths. The dealers two or three months ago promised to be more honest, and said that in future they would sell genuine, uniform, and sound braid only. Evidently the time has not come for the fulfilment of the promise. as in the latest arrivals of hraid no improvement is visible. It is a tricky and dangerous trade, and foreign buyers should exercise the utmost vigilance when making selection and purchase. - Chinese Times,

Chi-Nan-Fu Peace has not yet been declared between

the missionaries and the gentry. The forother side. The Chinese have a maxim. 'Yield none' for oneself. The Roman been raised against the Roman Catholics, The Taotai has officially requested the who this year for the first time have sought Temperature and humidity are moderate. a particle of objection. It is from one of idiom, can do but little to delay its (Vola- He has also now to issue this proclama- the prominent families of this city that the puk's) progress. We confess that we are tion. Wherefore know ye, merchants, and Tsung-li Yamen recruits one of its members. help feeling that this new language is Chinese and foreigners rests entirely upon part friendly; but if collision should arise and hundredths. born of a jealous feeling arising out of the the principle of good faith, and that as soon between the Roman Catholics and the gentry rapid spread of the English language, des- as trickery and shams are introduced, the of Chi-ning-chui, perhaps an effect mi ht pite its disheartening inconsistencies of loss suffered by foreign merchants is really unconsciously be made on the sentiments cousins will abandon in its favour the study of commerce do consequently languish, in this families except Mohammedans live. As drawback and that is great irregularity in finds that the sample handed in has un. Owing to the opposition that has been

advocate such a revolution as a universal this proclamation, that you enould use every of the missioneries is living with an Americhange to the phonetic style of writing the effort to set matters to rights, and to can family in Chi-nan-fu, and the other has culties foreigners experience in mastering Should you render only a make believe means an easy matter. Two missionaries of they will certainly be severely dealt with as also scarching for property, but the general vents even lovers of money from renting to foreigners at a high rate. At present

money is no inducement. The affairs of the American missionaries are having a long standatill. The landlord, who was released after three days of starying, and after being forced to write another deed, is closely watched by the gentry and their accomplices. If he leaves his home at all, he must report to the gentry. Though out of prison, he is by no means at liberty. One day he told the missionaries that he wanted them to hold on to his property, or it would end in his having neither house nor money.

The missionary whe went to Peking to present the case to the United States' Minister, is having more than a vacation. If he waits for settlement, he may find it necassary to locate in Peking, and give up to the Tsung-li Yamen, asking for information. When a reply comes, more intelligence may be possible of the secret coun-

The Governor is still looking after the Yellow River, it being uncertain whether compelled to spend money on different provinces to be ready for some possible Yellow River. Meanwhile the problem is no nearer solution than before the river 2nd Feb.

AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY IS announced small pieces of hamboo suspended thereon, for nervous debility, physical exhaustion. breasts and chius are tatooed with figures made by a missionary in Old Mexico; it representing birds. The only wearing ap- saved him from a miserable existence app parel they got is a piece of cloth fastened an early grave. We learn that the Rev. round their loins. Chiefs, as a sign of Joseph Holmes, Bloomsbury Mansions, send the prescription, free of charge, on

> Quotations Hongkong, February 28. PIUM-New Patna. cash ... 495/4983 New Benares, cash, 488 New Malwa, cash ... 560 Allowance, Tacls... 12 Old Malwa, cash, ... 580 Allowance, Taels ... 20/10 Persian, Oily, cash 600 Allowance, Taela... 24/32 Persian, Paper tied 640 Allowance, Taels ... 24/40 Exchange.

Honokone, February 28. On London-Bank, Wire. On demand, 30 days' sight, 4 months sight. Credits 4 Documentary, 4 mouths sight, 3,14 On Paris On demand, Credits, 4 months' sight, 3.08 On New York-On demand. Credits, 60 days sight, On demand, On Calcutta-On demand, On Shanghai-On demand, ...

30 days' sight, 722 Gold Leaf, 100 fine ... 39.10 Sovereigns, ... 86.41 Temperature. The stocks of Mongolian camel's and (Taken at Mesers Falconer & Co.'s Premises. Queen's Road. Do. 1 P.M. ... 30.00 4. P. M. ... 64 (Wet bulb) U A.M. 56

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METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER. AT 4 P.M. TO-DAY, Barometer . . . 80.00 Temporature . . . Humidity Direction of Wind Force :

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longkong Observatory, Feb. 28, 1888. CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

FEBRUARY 27. -AT 4 P.M. W1'ostock, 30.06 2 Tokio 29.84 -Nagasaki. 30.15 -Shanghai. 30.16 43 67 8E 4 Amoy 30.14 60 71 E Hongkong 30.06 58 69 ENE 3 Haiphong. 30.07 72 73 8E 3 Bolinao ... 29.93 80 - NW 2 Manila.... 29.8: 00 | 56 ssw 2 | b FEBRUARY 28. -AT 10 A.M. Manila.... The barometer has fallen along the coast

and gradients are moderate for N.E. winds. W. DOBRECK.

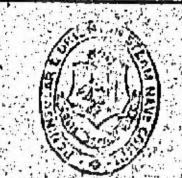
Government Astronomer. Hongkong Observatory, February 28.

1. Basowaran, reduced to 52 degrees Fabren. of these obstinate people; and we cannot dealers, one and all, that trade between Sen Yil-wen. His attitude is for the most helt, and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths 9. Trusparatous, in the abade in degrees.

8. Housdiry, in percentage of saturation, the bundlity of air saturated with moisture being 4. Discourse or Wind, to two points.

b. Force or Wind according to Beanfort C. State of Whatelet I like sky, o deschedolou la, / drizzling, rain, / fox, / gloomy, hali, I lightning, o overcust, p passing showers, squally, r rain, a snow, t thunder, r visibility.

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Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office. Hongkong, February 18, 1888.

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above places. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accopted in transit through Marsoilles for the the Magazine would be mademore generally

principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted detil . Cargo will be received on hourd until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 15 p. ar. on

be sout on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re-

For further particulars, apprent G. DE CHAMPKAUX,

Hongkong, February 23, 1888.

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interest by stude its of Chinese history A few short notices of New Books and number of Notes and Queries, one of which On Chinese Oaths in Western Borneo and Java" might appropriately have been placed under a separate heading, complete the number. -H.K. Daily Press.

Trubner's Oriental Record contains the

following notice of the China Review :-

The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, some what similar to that which has been filled in India by the Calcutta Review. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of informstion, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desir-able; and contributions of much interest of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Oustoms' corps, and the missionary body among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated. and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese post-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowrs. is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature o the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that Notes and Queries are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its prode-

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